

Action against inefficient and Corrupt Officers

117. SRI B. G. BANAKAR (Hirekerur) — Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state;—

the actions taken against officers who are found inefficient, incompetent and corrupt are coming in the speedy implementation of 20 points programme announced by the Prime Minister?

SRI D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister).—

Action has been and is being taken in the matter as follows:—

Government servants who have rendered 25 years of qualifying service or have attained the age of 50 years and who have outlived their usefulness or whose integrity is doubtful have been and are being retired by Government under rule 285 of Karnataka Civil Services Rules.

Where Government servants are involved in specific acts of misconduct action is taken against them under departmental disciplinary proceedings. For a proved charge of corruption the penalty to be imposed is, compulsory retirement, removal or dismissal from service unless there are special and adequate reasons for not imposing one of these penalties.

Compulsory retirement of Government servants.

177. SRI M. M. SAJJAN (Muddebihal).— Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:—

(a) the total number of officers officials compulsorily retired as on 31st December 1975 after the emergency is declared Districtwise details indicating their names and departments may be furnished);

(b) the number of them belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(c) the number of them compulsorily retired on the ground of corruption and complaints made by public;

(d) the grounds on which the officials are liable to be retired compulsorily;

(e) whether there are any cases of officials who are to be compulsorily retired pending with the Government;

(f) if so, the steps taken by the Government to expedite such cases?

SRI D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister).—

(a) The total number of officers and officials retired in the public interest and compulsorily retired after disciplinary proceedings since the declaration of emergency till 31st December 1975 is 535. A statement showing their names and other details is placed on the Table of the House*.

(b) Out of the total number mentioned in reply to clause (a), the number belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is 55.

(c) Out of the total number mentioned in reply to clause (a) the number of officers and officials compulsorily retired after disciplinary proceedings is 7.

(d) The retirement in the public interest is made in cases where an officer or official who has completed 50 years of age or 25 years of service has outlived his utility and his further continuance in service is not considered to be in the public interest. Compulsory retirement after disciplinary proceedings is effected on the basis of specific charges proved in an enquiry against a Government servant. These charges differ from one case to another.

(e) and (f) The process of screening officers and officials who have completed 50 years of age or 25 years of service for assessing their suitability to continue in service is a continuous process to be undertaken every year.

Punishment to Corrupt and Inefficient Officers

218. **SRI B. G. BANAKAR (Hirekerur).—**Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:—

(a) the measures taken by the Government to punish the corrupt, inefficient and incompetent officers in the State ;

(b) the total number of officers against whom action has been taken under rule 285 of Karnataka Civil Services Rules so far?

SRI D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister) —

(a) The reply given to Question No. 117 answers this clause.

(b) The total number of officers retired under rule 285 of Karnataka Civil Services Rules till 31st December 1975 is 528.

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